

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered, since it is intended to advance the application to allowance, and is believed not to require additional examination.

Claims 13-18, 24-29, 41-49, 51-57, 59-65, 80-88, 90-96, 108-113, 119-124, 126-132, 147-152, 157-163, 175-180, 185-191, 193-199 and 202 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-12, 19-23, 31-40, 50, 58, 66-79, 89, 97-107, 114-118, 125, 133-146, 153-156, 164-174, 181-184, 192, 200, 201 and 203 have been canceled.

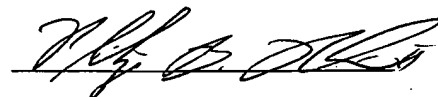
Claims 13-18, 24-29, 41-49, 51-57, 59-65, 80-88, 90-96, 108-113, 119-124, 126-132, 147-152, 157-163, 175-180, 185-191 and 193-199 were previously objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claims, but were indicated as being allowable if rewritten to include all limitations of the base claim, and any intervening claim.

Without acquiescing to the propriety of the rejected claims, applicants have amended the appropriate objected-to claims as suggested in paper number 14, and it is believed that these claims are in condition for allowance.

Claim 202 was indicated as being allowable.

If a telephonic interview with Applicant's representative would aid in the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to contact Applicant's representative at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,



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